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In re application of

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For: INFORMATION TERMINAL DEVICE AND PC CARD THAT A USER CAN EASILY  
FIND A HOT SPOT TO ACCESS A WIRELESS LAN

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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1. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 11-69404, published March 9, 1999.
2. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2001-257777, published September 21, 2001.

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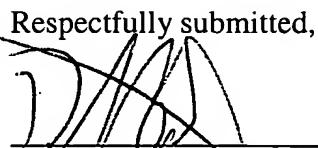
prosecution in the application (whichever is earlier), and therefore Applicant is filing concurrently herewith a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e). No fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

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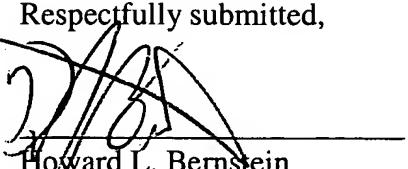
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